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Wisconsin's First Annual

Invasive Species Awareness Month

Why: Invasive plants and animals threaten Wisconsin's waters and wildlands by outcompeting and destroying native plants and animals and by disrupting the complex habitat systems. They also threaten the productivity and economic viability of Wisconsin's agricultural lands by creating overwhelming competition with crops. Millions of dollars, both public and private, are spent each year for the control of invasive plant and animal species in Wisconsin's waters, wildlands and agricultural lands.

<u>What</u>: Learn about the issues surrounding invasive species (both plant and animal, aquatic and terrestrial) in Wisconsin by attending workshops, field trips and lectures. Also participate in invasive species control work parties.

Who: Hundreds of citizens of all ages across the state of Wisconsin.

<u>Where</u>:Nature centers, botanical gardens, natural areas, lakes, rivers, agricultural fields, parks, schools, institutions of higher learning, natural history museums...

When: Throughout the month of June, 2005.

<u>How</u>: Check out the following website for information on attending and leading events:

www.invasivespecies.wi.gov/awareness

or contact...

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